

# The Pocahontas Times,

## BOX-CAR BURNS.

## FOREST FIRES.

## THE GAME OF BOWLS.

## GREENBANK.

Hear, Land o' Cakes and brother Scots,  
I're Maidenhair to Johnny Grout,  
If there's a hole in your coat,  
I rede ye tent it;  
A chiel's amang you takin' notes,  
An' faith he'll print it.—BURNS.

## Local Events.

**C&O**  
CHESAPEAKE AND  
OHIO RAILWAY  
In Effect June 1, 1901  
(Central time.)

WEST		EAST
No 141	Stations.	No 142
Daily ex		Daily ex.
P. M.		A. M.
1.45 Cass	II.45	II.45
1.56 Forrest	II.35	II.20
2.12 Clever Lick	10.56	
2.35 Harper	10.35	
3.00 Marlinton	10.23	
3.12 Buckeye	10.15	
3.20 Dan	10.05	
3.30 Seebert	9.95	
3.52 Beards	9.85	
4.10 Drom Mountain	9.75	
4.32 Licklick	9.65	
4.41 Spring Creek	8.55	
5.05 Anthony	8.35	
5.13 Kister	8.25	
5.38 Little Sulphur	8.00	
5.45 Whitcomb	7.75	
5.55 Ronceverte	7.45	

Connection made at Ronceverte to and from Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York, Richmond, Norfolk, Cincinnati, Louisville, St Louis and Chicago.

A great many persons are suffering from colds and grippe.

Dennis Dever passed Marlinton Monday on his return from Elk.

W. A. Bratton and wife are visiting the Pan-American Exposition this week.

Mrs Morgan Grimes has been very ill but is now slowly convalescing.

C. J. Richardson was visiting at his father's home in Bath county, Virginia.

L. D. Sharp, the Slaty Fork merchant, was in town Thursday looking after his business interests.

Charles Corbett and little son were in Marlinton Tuesday with a team freighted with first-class apples and other good produce.

The West Virginia University won a foot-ball game from Grove City by a score of 37 to 0. Lew Yeager played full back.

Andrew Thompson, who clerks in Richardson's hardware store has moved his family here from Hot Springs.

On Thursday last week a site was located for the Marlinton Bowling Alley near the "big sugar tree," Paris Yeager and A. C. Kidd are the proprietors.

It is reported that a depot will soon be established at Buckeye. Should this prove true the congestion at Marlinton may be relieved in a measure.

Rev. Cornelius Van Reenan was in Marlinton Thursday. The state of his health, while improved, he thinks is still precarious and requires special care and prudence.

The piles of freight at the depot looks as if the business situation is about too much for the present facilities for handling and distributing with convenience and dispatch.

An interesting horse raffle seems to be one of the forthcoming events among the lovers of equestrian affairs in our community. A \$250 horse will fall to the holder of the drawing ticket should the raffle mature.

A new school-house has been erected on Thorny Creek at the junction of the Dunmore and Frost roads. This makes three houses for the accommodation of about forty pupils in the aggregate. The teachers will be G. S. Weirard at Sulphur Spring, Miss Ann Smith at Mt Zion and J. H. Hively at the new school-house.

The 3rd quarterly meeting for Edray circuit will be held at Swago next Saturday and Sunday, November 2nd and 3rd. Preaching by Rev. R. H. Clark, P. E. The official brethren will note the change in the date from Nov. 16 and 17 and be on hand on the date set.—A. M. CRABTREE, P. C.

J. H. Pettis was given a hearing before Mayor King Friday charged with insanity upon complaint of S. J. Boggs. Pettis, who is originally from Lynchburg, came here from Cass, where he had been working on the carpenter force. He has been acting queer but was thought harmless. Dr. Price examined him and found the skull pressing on his brain caused by a fall from a bridge. Pettis left for his home Saturday.

In attempting to turn his team in the road on Price Hill one day last week, George M. Kee backed his wagon loaded with flour over the road. The horses were thrown and could not get up and the wagon upset, smashing all the flour barrels except one. By cutting the harnesses the horses were gotten up, but a road had to be graded around the hill before the wagon could be secured. Five barrels of flour were lost, one rolling almost into the river.

And now is the time when the grass geteth short and the family cow looketh over the meadow fence with longing desire in her eyes, and a pain in her innards that cometh not from an over filled stomach. No corn field is safe from her depredation, and the way she rendeth the corn shocks showeth experience. She findeth the weak fence with a knowledge begotten of the devil, and when thou drivest her out she missest the gate with a perseverance that tempteth the righteous.

C. & O. Car 6286 Burns in the Marlinton Yard.

Last Thursday while the up and down freights were at Marlinton, one of the cars on the up freight was discovered to be on fire. The other freight train was standing by the water tank and after some lively whistling a clear track was given and the car backed down to the water tank. The car was filled with baled hay consigned to Smith & Whiting.

Holes were cut in the top of the car and the car pulled and pushed under the running stream of water from the spout of the tank, but the car roof proved too well put on to be chopped off easily and the fire gained. A small hose could have saved the car, as the stream where it would do the most good.

The fire was threatening to burn the other cars of the train and even the water tank itself, so word was passed to the engineer to put it on a side-track. The train darted up to the head of the yards with the burning car trailing a long train of smoke.

On the sidetrack the car burned several hours, delaying the passenger train about a half hour, the trainmen not wishing to pass so close to the blaze.

There were about ten tons of hay in the car.

A Child Lost in Richmond.

John Robert, the sprightly little four-year-old son of Mr and Mrs E. M. Arbogast, who, with his mother, has been in Richmond for some time, a few days ago strayed away from his boarding place and for three hours was an unknown quantity in that neighborhood. It need not be repeated that Mrs Arbogast was greatly alarmed when the little fellow did not show up at dark, but joy soon took the place of fear when some of the searchers returned with him, having been found at police headquarters where a policeman, who had seen him wandering about the streets, had taken him. With all his bravery he had to cry a little bit; but soon regained self-control and asked, "Has my mamma eat supper and gone to bed?"—Highland Recorder.

Game in Town.

Game still comes to Marlinton and with all our town airs we have not been able to keep the wild animals out of town. A raccoon came down off the hill west of the bridge the other night and passed through town.

A number of squirrels have been killed in the grove of chestnut trees around the court-house.

A flock of wild turkeys was discovered at the West Marlinton school house one evening at dusk. Next morning they were pursued ruthlessly by two hunters who got several shots but did not bring down any of the birds.

A. M. Porter loaded several car loads of cattle here Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs G. D. L. Brady, of Brady, were in Marlinton last Friday sight-seeing.

Wesley Barlow, of Red Lick Mountain, was in Marlinton on business Friday.

H. P. McLaughlin has improved his dwelling so much as to have a very cosy home.

Wm. T. Moore figures as the champion wheat producer on Browns Creek this season.

Robert Shrader, of Dilley's Mill, seems to be syndicating much of the land in the Hill country just as it comes on the market.

J. H. Doyle has purchased the Beard property at Huntersville now occupied by Lanty Herold.

Miss Mattie Campbell, after spending a few days at Dr. Patter son's, returned to Highland where she will spend the winter.

B. N. Rayburn has given up his shop in West Marlinton and is now blacksmithing for the Greenbrier River Lumber Co.

Renick Hogsett aims at the leadership in the fruit industry on upper Browns Creek and may get there.

Hon Wm. Curry was at Marlinton Monday on business, hale and hearty for a person of his advanced age.

G. W. Ginger is making fair headway towards enclosing his portion of the Beard farm near Huntersville with wire fence.

Lanty Herold, of Huntersville, has purchased a section of the Sulky White Farm near Driscoll and contemplates moving there in the spring.

John E. Campbell, of the Covington Sentinel was in Marlinton Monday, returning home after several days' visit in his native county.

A revival meeting of more than ordinary power has been in progress at Frost for three weeks led by Revs. Pullin, O. B. Sharp, Weiford and Elder Clark.

A. W. Cameron, of Goshen, Va., is on his first visit to Pocahontas county looking after stock as meat supplies for Victoria furnace and several hotels.

Horace Lockridge is making extensive improvements on the old Pocahontas public buildings and surroundings and will have a nice residence. He has also bought Jericho run to saw it. Thomas Courtney will cut and deliver the timber. They began sawing Tuesday.

Politics has Virginia by the throat as usual. Elections are held every year and sometimes two a year. Hon. C. F. Moore is making some speeches in his district as Democratic nominee for the House. He has a fight to make in a district which is Republican by from 800 to 1200, but there are great hopes of the Democrats carrying it with the present nominees.

Work on the Greenbrier River Lumber Company's big mill is going on finely. A large force of carpenters is at work. Cutting will commence in a week or so giving work to a goodly number of laborers. The company will build a number of houses for the employees.

Destroy Much Timber on Laurel Creek.

The Game of Bowls.

Reminiscences of a Former Bowling Alley.

Forest fire has been raging on Laurel Creek the past week, but at last report it had been surrounded and was not endangering fences although the timber is suffering irreparable loss. Much fence was burned on the Newcomer place, and it was with difficulty other farms were saved from like damage.

The fire originated from James White's sawmill, the wind carrying fire from the slab pile to the pine woods where it spread with terrible rapidity. This section has been scorched with fire several times within the past two years where forest fire was never known before, the woods being too dense and damp to burn, but with the opening of farms and the cutting of the timber the woods are becoming dry.

By far the worst fire was the one of last spring, originating in a clearing, when the whole neighborhood turned out and fought fire for days. At the Dilley place, the barn containing hay, grain and farm implements, was burned, and with difficulty the house was saved, it being on fire several times. Wesley Barlow lost several thousand feet of lumber besides fence.

Fire, although ruinous to all timber, seems to damage the black spruce to a greater degree than any other. It dies immediately after being burned, and it is not long until the worms have eaten the tree so badly that it is useless for lumber. The spruce on the burned lands of Laurel Creek will be cut immediately and sawed, thereby averting the great loss that would have otherwise followed.

MARRIED.

HUDSON—ASHFORD.

On Wednesday, Oct. 23d, at 3 p.m. a quiet marriage was solemnized on Rosin Run, when Harper Hudson and Miss Dotie Ashford were joined in holy wedlock by Rev. J. W. McNeill. The bride is a daughter of Claiborne Ashford; the groom is a son of Squire J. L. Hudson, near Louise.

The parties were attended by Misses Ora and Lexie Sutton, escorted by Edward and Jesse Hudson. After the ceremony, all were invited to the dining table and did justice to a nice repast, after which the party left for the home of the groom where a nice supper was served. We extend congratulations.

DRIFTWOOD.

Hello, Mr Editor, Stony Lone some is on a boom.

Mrs Della McLaughlin, who has been sick for some time, is improving.

Miss Rhoda Barnett has been sick but is better now.

Miss Birdie Barnett left here Sunday on her way home to Wanless. She has been visiting friends and relatives in this place for some time.

THRASHER—WILLIAMS.

At the residence of the bride's father near Trout, Greenbrier county, on Oct. 22, 1901, Dr. J. D. Thrasher and Miss Callie O. Williams were united in marriage by Rev. C. M. Anderson. The happy couple immediately started on an extended trip to Washington and other eastern cities.

The bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr George Williams, a successful farmer of Greenbrier county. Dr Thrasher is an eminent physician and surgeon of Monroe county where he has been practicing with success for a number of years. He has recently purchased property and is building at Lobelia. A good physician is badly needed here and we welcome him to our community.

20th Century log harness at Crummett's.

J. W. McCarty is teaching the Tabor school.

B. F. Hamilton, the New York Store merchant, is in Baltimore this week.

We are having fine weather at this time, although rather dry for corn husking.

J. C. Loury is enlarging and improving the Loury store house on up-to-date plans for a business house.

I guess I have told all of the news that is interesting; maybe I can tell more the next time, so I remain the same old hand.

SWEET HOME.

TOP OF ALLEGHENY.

I have seen nothing from this place for some time, and if you will allow me space in your valuable paper, I will give you a few items.

The farmers are done sowing wheat and most of them have their potatoes dug.

William L. Wilmoth is on the sick list.

Prof Carson, from Hightown, preached a very interesting sermon at the church on the top of Alleghany Sunday evening.

The singing at Arbovale Sunday evening conducted by Prof Hall was largely attended and enjoyed by all present. I think for teaching music Prof Hall is the right man and in the right place.

Samuel Spencer is teaching the Top of Alleghany school and Charles Spencer is teaching the Buffalo Mt. school.

Miss Bessie Phillips and her mother made a flying trip to Durbin last week.

Miss Rhoda Tracy is visiting relatives in this section.

George and Lee Wilmoth are attending the National Normal School of Music conducted by Prof. J. H. Hall of Dayton, Va., at Arbovale.

Wanted.—A machine to thresh the farmers' grain on Alleghany Mountain before the snow gets deep.

I don't think it will be necessary for the game warden to come up this way to look after people who are violating the game law by chasing deer with hounds, for Joe Phillips killed a deer the other day that only weighed about fifteen pounds, and if there had been any others in this part he surely would have killed a larger one.

Luther Phillips still has an eye on Buffalo Creek.

J. J. Spencer took a load of potatoes to Durbin Wednesday.

The falling leaves and cool nights remind us that winter's chilling blast will soon be here.

CALVIN W. PRICE,  
Marlinton, W. Va.

And still it's dry and the mountains are all on fire.

Dr. P. M. Moonan and daughter, Miss Flora, are attending the Synod at Lynchburg at this writing.

Porter Kerr is erecting a nice dwelling near his father's. Rand Rexrode is contractor.

John R. Gum is building a nice house on his farm east of town: first the cage and then the bird, a good plan for John.

Three cases of small-pox at Ellis Currys.

O. L. Orndorff rides in a lop and has